## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re PATENT API	PLICATION of:	,		
Applicant(s) :	Rudy FEDERICI	)		
International Application No.:	PCT/CH00/00451	) ) )		
Filed :	August 24, 2000	) INFORMATION ) DISCLOSURE		
National		) STATEMENT		
Application No.:	To be Assigned	)		
For :	HANDLING DEVICE FOR PREPARING A WAFER STACK	) Customer No. 26694 )		
Attorney Docket:	31509-178300	•)		
		February 27, 2002		

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is an Information Disclosure Statement submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97 ff within the time specified in 37 CFR § 1.97(b).

Enclosed is a Form PTO-1449 listing the four (4) references cited in the concurrently filed English language International Search Report for this application.

However, no copies of the references cited in the Search Report are enclosed as it is presumed that copies of these references are already in the application file. If our presumption is not correct and a copy of a cited reference is desired, please inform the undersigned and a copy of the missing reference will be supplied.

In view of the above, all requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 ff and all official guidelines pertaining to Information Disclosure Statements have been complied with. Therefore, it is requested that the Examiner consider each of the four (4) references identified in the enclosed PTO Form 1449, make the considered references formally of record, and indicate such consideration by enclosing an appropriately initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman N. Kunitz / Registration No. 20,586

Venable

P.O. Box 34385

Washington, D.C. 20043-9998 Telephone: (202) 962-4800 Facsimile: (202) 962-8300

NNK/elw #354928



Page 1 of 1

FORM PTO-1449 IN12FORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION (modified)		Atty Docket: 31509-178300				Application No.: PCT/CH00/00451				
			Applicant: Rudy FEDERICI							
			Internatl. Filing Date: August 27, 1999 Group: To Be Assigned							
	1	3.50	US PATEN	T DOCUMENTS			To see	T		
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	C	lass	Sub- Class	Filing Date		
	AA	4,695,217	9/22/87	Lau						
	AB	5,261,776	11/16/93	Burck et al						
	AB	5,501,568	3/26/96	Ono						
		FOI	REIGN PAI	ENT DOCUMENT	<u>'S</u>			Т		
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Country	Cl	ass	Sub- Class	Translation Yes □ No □		
	AE	EP 0 496 006 A1	7/29/92	Europe				X		
	AF									
	AG									
	AH									
	ΑI									
	AJ									
	AK									
	AL									
	OT	HER DOCUMENTS	(Including	Author, Title, Date	, Perti	nent I	Pages, etc	:.)		
	AN					_				
	AO									
	AP									
	AQ									